## Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Carver county Di	istrict FY	08 EQIF
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- 1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:
  - Water quality
  - Soil Erosion
  - Non-Point Source Pollution or Feedlots
  - Wetland Restoration
- 2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

Funding will be available county wide; however practices that are in an impaired TMDL watershed will receive additional points if concerns from question 1 are addressed. The TMDL watersheds in Carver County include Goose Lake, Reitz Lake, and Silver Creek.

- 3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.
  - Water quality, non-point source pollution/feedlots, and wetland restorations in Goose Lake, Reitz Lake, and Silver Creek watersheds.
  - Applications addressing water quality and non-point source pollution/feedlots
  - Applications addressing soil erosion
  - Applications requiring the restoration of wetlands
- 4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.
  - Will this application address soil erosion within the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 7 points)
  - Will this application address soil erosion outside the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 2 points)
  - Will this application address water quality within the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 7 points)
  - Will this application address water quality outside the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 2 points)

- Will this application address non-point source pollution within the priority watersheds yes or no. (If yes 7 points)
- Will this application address non-point source pollution outside the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 2 points)
- Is grazing/habitat management being addressed within the priority watersheds; yes or no (If yes 7 points)
- Is grazing/habitat management being addressed outside the priority watersheds; yes or no. (If yes 2 points)
- Is this application outside the lines of the expanding 2020 comprehensive plan; yes or no. (If yes 4 points)
- \*\* The priority watersheds in Carver County include Goose Lake, Reitz Lake, and Silver Creek
- 5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.

- Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.
- 7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 08 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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